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**AMENDMENTS**

The following listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A method, comprising:  
aligning a first page of a publication with a second page, the first and second pages having a pre-applied adhesive; and